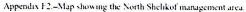
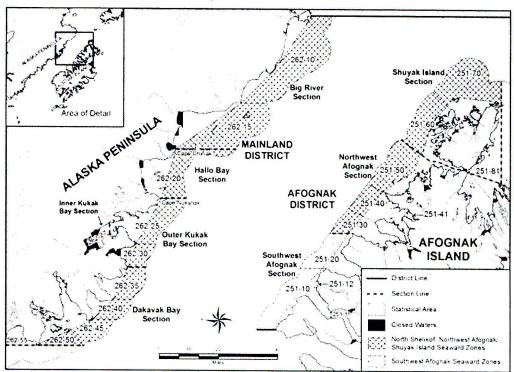


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Conservation Burden





Kodiak has, for 27 years, shared the conservation burden for Cook Inlet stocks, including Susitna.

The North Shelikof Strait Sockeye Salmon Management Plan was put in place in 1990 to limit Kodiak's harvest of Cook Inlet stocks and to focus Kodiak fishermen on the harvest of local stocks.

ADF&G closes this area when sockeye harvest caps are achieved, resulting in significant savings of Cook Inlet bound sockeye.

Local stocks harvested in near shore areas often exceed the trigger for area closures whether or not Cook Inlet stocks are present. This loss of fishing opportunity is Kodiak's burden of conservation.

This management plan created an effective conservation corridor between Kodiak Island and the mainland more than 40 miles wide and 120 miles long.